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WHITE HOUSE PLEASE PASS TO SAN CLEMENTE FOR EAGLEBURGER  
FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FOLLOWING REPEAT USUN 2491 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO ATHENS,  
ANKARA, LONDON, MOSCOW, NICOSIA & PARIS DATED 19 JULY 1974:

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C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN 2491

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, CY, UK, SU, UN  
SUBJECT: CYPRUS COUP

1. PRESSURE IS BUILDING UP FOR A SECURITY COUNCIL VOTE  
WITHIN THE NEXT 48 HOURS, DEMANDING GREEK WITHDRAWAL OF  
MILITARY OFFICERS FROM THE CYPRIOT NATIONAL GUARD.

2. IN DISCUSSIONS TODAY, ACTING SOV PERMREP SAFRONCHUK  
SOUGHT USG APPROVAL OF MOVE TO INTRODUCE RESOLUTION TO THIS  
EFFECT IN ADVANCE OF MAKARIOS APPEARANCE IN SECURITY  
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COUNCIL THIS AFTERNOON. I TOLD HIM SUCH A MOVE WOULD

NOT BE HELPFUL AND WOULD MAKE MORE DIFFICULT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN PARTIES OUTSIDE SECURITY COUNCIL CHAMBER. HE  
CONTINUED TO INSIST, AND I BROKE OFF DISCUSSION.

3. LATER, UK'S REP RICHARD URGED WE CONSIDER VOTING YES  
FOR SAME KIND OF RESOLUTION, ARGUING A QUICK VOTE WOULD  
PUT PRESSURE ON GREEK GOVERNMENT TO AGREE TO WITHDRAW  
OFFICERS FROM NATIONAL GUARD. I ARGUED THAT SUCH RESOLUTION  
COULD HAVE OPPOSITE EFFECT, MAKING IT LESS LIKELY GREEK  
MILITARY REGIME WOULD RESPOND FAVORABLY TO UK/US EFFORTS  
TO REACH FRIENDLY AGREEMENT OUTSIDE SECURITY COUNCIL SETTING.  
WE MADE POINT THAT ADOPTION SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
WITHOUT AMERICAN SUPPORT WOULD BE EXPLOITED BY GREEK GOVERN-  
MENT IN ANY NEGOTIATIONS, MAKING IT LIKELY IT WOULD HARDEN  
POSITION.

4. RICHARD, WHILE SAYING HE HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS  
NONETHELESS WARNED USG WOULD BE COMPLETELY ISOLATED IF IT  
OPPOSED SUCH A RESOLUTION FOR GREEK WITHDRAWAL. AT SAME  
TIME, HE SAID IT WOULD BE BAD IF US AND UK SPLIT OPENLY  
ON CYPRUS ISSUE. I AGREED AND SAID IT WAS VITAL THAT WE MOVE  
WITHOUT UNDUE HASTE TO GIVE AMPLE OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSIONS  
UNDERWAY IN LONDON-ATHENS-ANKARA. RICHARD WOULD UP BY  
SAYING HE EXPECTED WE COULD GAIN 24-HOUR DELAY IN SECURITY  
COUNCIL BUT EXPRESSED DOUBT WE COULD HOLD OFF 48 HOURS.  
HE BELIEVED 24 HOURS, I.E. SATURDAY, DELAY WAS BEST WE  
COULD GET UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. THIS TIME FRAME IN  
LINE WITH FRENCH VIEWS AS WELL. COMMENT: UNLESS MAKARIOS'  
APPEAL FLOPS, I SUSPECT RICHARD IS RIGHT IN HIS ESTIMATE  
ABOUT AMOUNT OF TIME AVAILABLE PRIOR TO SOME KIND OF  
SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION.

5. ONE OF RICHARD'S AIDES (THOMAS) ARGUED REPEATEDLY THAT  
LONDON BELIEF, REFLECTED IN INSTRUCTIONS, WAS THAT STERN  
ANTI-GREEK MOVE BY ACTION BY SECURITY COUNCIL WOULD BE  
DECISIVE IN FORCING THE GREEKS TO BACK DOWN. RICHARD  
FOR HIS PART EXPRESSED VIEW SUCH MOVE WOULD BE HELPFUL RATHER  
THAN DECISIVE. SCALI UNQTE INGERSOLL

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